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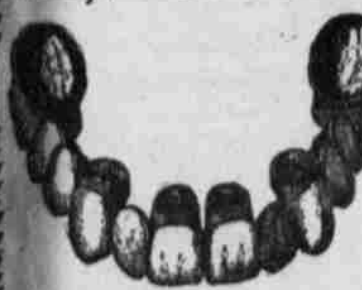


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A SECRET TREATY IS FORMED

England and Germany Supersede Portugal in South Africa.

Kruger may Declare War On Portugal and Attack Delagoa at Once -- Germany to Have all Portuguese Possessions in Asia and Africa North of Mozambique -- England to take the Remainder.

By Associated Press to the Journal. New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Herald from Berlin says: The Daily Lokal-Anzeiger publishes the contents of a German-English-Portuguese secret treaty. It is possible that President Kruger may now declare war on Portugal and attack Delagoa at once. In order to prevent interference by France or Russia, England has concluded a secret treaty with Germany regarding a complete partition of the Portuguese colonial possessions. Germany is to receive all the Portuguese possession in Asia and receives in Africa all the Portuguese territory north of Mozambique except a strip of land three miles wide for a trans-African railway. England receives the remaining African possessions of Portugal. The consent of Portugal to the arrangement has already been obtained in principle.

Is It a Fake? PARIS, Dec. 28.—The publication by the Lokal Anzeiger, in Berlin, of the secret treaty between Germany, Portugal and Great Britain, meets with no credence in official circles.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A representative of the Associated Press has gathered the alleged disclosures of the English-American-Portuguese treaty are quite inaccurate. A dispatch from Berlin says:

When it is remembered that two of Portugal's Asiatic possessions, Goa and Damao, form enclaves of the province of Bombay the statement of the Lokal Anzeiger border on the fantastic. BERLIN, Dec. 28.—The news agency has issued a statement that the assertions of the Lokal Anzeiger were arbitrary and "erroneous guess-work." The official circles of Berlin describe the statements as quite inaccurate.

Latest From the Front. DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—A German farmer named Stucke and Rev. Mr. Hartes, director of the Hanoverian missions of Natal, have been arrested at Katcourt on the charge of aiding the Boers.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 23.—Col. Reesard, commanding the Canadian contingent is to join the staff of Buller, all the

members of which are proceeding to Natal, indicating that Buller's sphere will shortly be confined to Natal. Green, former sergeant-major of the British ballon department, is among the Boer prisoners captured at Magersfontein.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Gen. Methuen reports as follows: "Yesterday evening the Boers on the south side of Magersfontein opened a heavy fire for some time. This morning the naval brigade fired at the enemy's west of part Magersfontein.

Generals Gatacre and French report no change in the situation. Baden-Powell reports all well December 12.

News is slow. LONDON, Dec. 28.—As showing the difficulty of obtaining accurate information

SLAUGHTER OF NATIVES

Civil War Among the Tribes of Kiriwina, New Guinea.

By Associated Press to the Journal. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 28.—News has been received of a bloody civil war among the natives of Kiriwina, in New Guinea. The head chief was defeated and eleven villages destroyed with a heavy slaughter.

IT STRIKES HAWAII

The Bubonic Plague in the Chinese Quarters of Honolulu.

By Associated Press to the Journal. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The transport Centennial confirms the report that the Bubonic plague exists in Honolulu. There was little anxiety concerning it as the plague was confined to the Chinese quarter. Up to the time of sailing of the Centennial there had been but six deaths. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The news of the breaking out of the plague at Honolulu has created some alarm among health officials and every precaution is being taken to prevent the possible admission of the disease into the city.

tion, a correspondent of the Daily News at Cape Town, under date of December 21, announces that General Buller is coming to Cape Town to meet Sir Charles Warren, and then both will go to Moshler River. As five battalions of General Warren's Fifth division are said to have gone to Natal, his arrival at Pietermaritzburg seemed natural.

At the African Front. LONDON, Dec. 28.—(Thursday, 4:30 a. m.)—Winston Churchill's arrival at Chevelly Camp is perhaps responsible for some over-coloring of the gravity of the situation, but all of today's news conveys the impression that Buller may be intending another attack upon the Boer position.

Competent military critics in London regard the campaign as a complete deadlock for the present, owing to the dispersal of the British forces and for the lack of adequate transportation. It will be many weeks before Lord Roberts is able to reorganize and make an effective movement.

Certainly, the Boers are not inactive. At both Moshler River and Tugela they are said to be strengthening their forces and extending the defense works, which in both cases are seemingly almost impregnable. Dispatches from Chevelly indicate



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PREPARATIONS FOR WAR

Japan May Have a Round With Russia

News From the Orient is of a Very War-like Nature and is Daily Growing Worse

By Associated Press to the Journal. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 28.—The city of London has arrived here from the Orient, with news of a prospective war between Russia and Japan. Her officers say that all Japan is now of the opinion that hostilities will break out between these two nations in the spring. Before the steamer left Japan the insular kingdom was buying up great quantities of rice, and even going so far as to make arrangements for transports to make a demonstration in Korea. Great activity prevails on all sides in Japanese naval circles.

A Shanghai report says that Russia has dispatched a fleet of three warships to Masampo, the bone of contention which is now causing strained relations between the two nations. Russia and France are coming together in encroaching on Chinese territory and against the Japan.

CONGRESSMAN IN AN ASYLUM.

By Associated Press to the Journal. New York, Dec. 28.—A special to the World, from Boston, says: "Congressman Soutelle is now in the McLean hospital for the insane, at Washington. From thoroughly reliable sources it is reported that the congressman is suffering from paresis."

QUIET AT WASHINGTON

The State Department Not Worried Capture of Cargoes By the British

By Associated Press to the Journal. New York, Dec. 28.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says the equanimity of the state department is not disturbed over the significance attached, in legal mercantile circles, to the stopping by British warships of vessels bound for Delagoa bay with cargoes exported from the United States. Our officials express confidence that the British government will make full reparation for any act committed by its naval agents if it proves illegal or unjustified.

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BATTLE IN LUZON

Col. Locket With 2500 Men Scatters a Thousand Filipinos.

Insurgent Losses Heavy, and only Four Americans Wounded. Natives Intrenched in the mountains Near Montalban Were Driven from a Dozen Trenches and Demoralized.

By Associated Press to the Journal. MANILA, Dec. 28.—Colonel Lockett, with a force of 2500, including artillery, attacked yesterday a strong force of insurgents entrenched in the mountains near Montalban, about five miles north-east of San Mateo. The enemy were completely routed, the Americans pursuing them through the hills, where they fled in every direction. Four Americans were wounded. The Filipino loss was large, resulting from a heavy infantry and artillery fire for three hours into the trenches.

It is supposed the insurgents were those who were driven out of San Mateo the day General Lawton was killed. They numbered probably 1000.

A dozen lines of insurgent trenches covered the steep trail through the hills and likewise the valley below, along which the Americans passed. The main attacking party consisted of the Forty-sixth volunteer infantry, a troop of cavalry and artillery. Colonel Lockett commanding in person.

The rest of the command operated from remote points in an endeavor to carry out Colonel Lockett's plan of throwing his lines around the enemy, and thus cutting off their retreat. The nature of the mountainous country made it impracticable to execute this movement successfully. After the insurgents began to run there was a vain attempt to use artillery.

It now appears that one American was killed in the attack upon the Subig garrison yesterday by General Santa Ana.

The insurgent organ Independencia, which was suppressed by the Americans resumed publication November 21, in Bulacan province.

By Associated Press to the Journal. New York, Dec. 28.—The incorporation of the Panama Canal Company of America is said to be the first move in the plan to transfer the Panama canal to Americans, in order that it may have a better chance in the struggle with the Nicaraguan concessionaries. The Herald says that the incorporation of the American Company is the result of negotiations between representatives of the French Company and the leading financiers of America.

The bodies of 150 victims of the Maine disaster were buried at Arlington cemetery, Washington, today, with great honors, President McKinley and cabinet participating.

SHORT TELEGRAMS.

Congressman Boutelle is seriously ill at Brookline, Mass., from Bright's disease.

San Francisco is arranging for a big demonstration of sympathy for the Boers.

Admiral Schley's flagship, the Chicago, is at Buenos Ayres and will await further orders.

England has withdrawn from Samoa according to treaty, and leaves Germany in possession.

The 71st N. Y. regiment has already applied for 315 pensions for service in the Spanish war.

Mat Chandler, the old-time pugilist, died Dec. 26 at his home in Chicago of pleurisy of the heart.

The regiment of Royal Canadians now on duty at Halifax are ordered to sail for South Africa Jan. 10th.

J. C. Henry's undertaking establishment at La Grande burned Tuesday. Loss \$3750. Insurance \$2000.

U. S. Agent Norton in the Seal Islands of Behring sea, reports the heads of seal decreased twenty per cent.

The British ambassador, Lord Pauncefoot entertained Sir Henry Irving, at luncheon at the British embassy in Washington yesterday.

Alfred Borlin, an employe of the American Bank & Trust Company of San Francisco is alleged to be a defaulter to the amount of \$7000.

The societies of Fenians, Heberians and Clan-na-Gael in New York and other eastern cities are agitating an invasion of Canada to harass England.

"Congressman Hepburn, of Iowa, has assured everybody that he means to press the bill for the construction of the Nicaragua canal by the government for all it is worth."

At Deposit, Ala., a fight occurred yesterday James Horden and Jesse Horden were killed and J. C. Horden seriously wounded. They were all prominent politicians.

Portland is filled with idle young men. "There are more idle young men in Portland today than there have been at any time within the past four years," said H. W. Stone, of the Y. M. C. A.

WHEAT MARKET

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